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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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For: A METHOD OF IMPROVING BIOAVAILABILITY OF ORALLY ADMINISTERED DRUGS, A METHOD OF SCREENING FOR ENHANCERS OF SUCH BIOAVAILABILITY AND NOVEL PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS FOR ORAL DELIVERY OF DRUGS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This is a Continuation-in-Part of International Application PCT/NL00/00331, with an international filing date of May 17, 2000, which was published under PCT Article 21(2) in English, and the complete disclosure of which is incorporated into this application by reference.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

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3. Method according to claim 1, wherein the cells are normal cells.
4. Method according to claim 1, wherein the inhibitor is a selective inhibitor of BCRP.